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MAINICHI, Tokyo, reports that the clandestine Communist broadcasting station "Radio Free Japan" has been identified by the Electric Waves Control Bureau of the Japanese Government as emanating from Communist Chinese territory. No specific location is mentioned, and information available to FBIS indicates that it is not within the capacity of the Electric Waves Control Bureau to pin-point the location at the present time.

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It has been noted by [redacted] monitors that since 1 May 1952 three transmitters which had been in regular use in the established Peking broadcast services have disappeared entirely. Two of these transmitters were relatively new on the air and one of them was used exclusively in the broadcast of the Peking International Service directed to Japan. The third transmitter which has dropped out was an old one left behind by the Nationalists, which radiated a weak signal. While the operating frequencies of the two missing Peking transmitters do not coincide with those now in use by Radio Free Japan, they are within two to three megacycles of them, and conversion would be a simple technical matter. [redacted] monitors consider it a distinct possibility that the several months' operation of the missing Peking transmitters in the established services prior to 1 May was in fact a test preliminary to inaugural of a covert operation on 1 May.

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Broadcasts of Radio Free Japan have carried such material as the comments of various Communist Parties on the May Day riot in Tokyo, the contents of articles appearing in AKAHATA, and appeals for the overthrow of the Yoshida Government by direct action.

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